

**PUBLIC LIBRARY FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS**

The Library uses several types of funds to renovate, rehabilitate and construct library facilities. The CIP includes \$50.4million in property tax-supported bond funds. In addition, the CIP includes \$10.9 million in federal funds (\$ 2 million CDBG, \$7.7 million in Proposed CDBG and \$ \$853,000 in a HUD grant.

During 2001, the Library commissioned and completed the development of a Strategic Master Plan that resulted in the adoption of the facility recommendations outlined in the Standards of Excellence. The recommendations are based on a long-range facility improvement strategy that calls for substantial growth and improvement in library facilities to meet the needs of a growing and changing Houston.

The FY2004-2008CIP proposes to use available funding to:

- Renovate and improve the Central Library
- Design and Construct Phase I of the Julia Ideson Building
- Rehabilitate and renovate -10 branch libraries
- Replace 6 branch libraries; Bracewell, Kendall, Melcher and Vinson Branch Library
- Renovate Gregory School